

Selectmen's Minutes
August 5, 2013

Selectmen: Richard Carver, Nancy Colson & Linda Post

Present: Dave Gravison, Beverly Gravison, Lewis Edwards, Dave Matthews

5:00 PM Public Forum

Dennis Terry, 15 Everett Ave said he purchased his house 7 years ago and his land value jumped from \$32,860 to \$86,050 in one year. He asked the Selectmen how this could happen? Wanted to know if they could do an escalation payment? Linda Post said the properties have been undervalued for a number of years. Nancy Colson said they went to the voters 2 years ago for funding to do the equalization. Mr. Terry said that better procedures need to be in place so this doesn't happen again.

Richard Carver made a motion to have a letter written to the Park Commission about the conditions of the roads to The Owls Head State Park and Birch Point State Park. Nancy Colson seconded it. All in favor.

Richard Carver tabled the trim painting bids until we find out what kind of paint was used in the past and get the insurance paperwork from the bidders. One bidder was low so they want him to be called and make sure he knew it was window trim to. Nancy Colson seconded it. All in favor.

Conservation Commission wants to use the Town Seal for letters they are sending out. Linda Post made a motion to let them use it, Nancy Colson seconded it. All in favor.

MMA Insurance sent the report to us from their visit. We have 30 days to respond how we are going to take care of everything. Richard Carver made a motion to table it, so they can review the letter and come to the next meeting with a plan. Nancy Colson seconded it. All in favor.

Richard Carver finished writing the letter for the Annual Town Book. Linda Post found sentence that needed to be fixed. The letter was approved by all the selectmen.

Nancy Colson made a motion to accept the minutes of July 22, 2013, Linda Post seconded it. All in favor. Richard Carver asked that the July 30, 2013 minutes have Special Selectmen's be added to the top and that the executive session ended at 5:50 PM. Nancy Colson made a motion to accept the July 30, 2013 with the changes. Richard Carver seconded it. All in favor.

Warrants were signed and approved.

The auditors sent a preliminary report and highlighted the lines that they had question about. The Selectmen went through each question. They wrote the answers and will give them to Harriet Ferguson to call the auditors back.

The Selectmen went over the budget line by line. They have a few questions on it.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Pam Curtis
Recording Secretary